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METHOD

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please insert before the first line of the specification the following:

-- This is a divisional of application Serial No. 09/203,609, filed December 2, 1998. --

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add new claims 15-19 as follows:

-- 15. A document transmitting method for transmitting a document which is desired to be transmitted by an applicant apparatus via a network to a document acceptance server from an agent apparatus as a proxy, comprising the steps of:
connecting a payment acceptance server to said network;